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In re Application of: :
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Thomas HUBER, et al. : Confirmation No.: 3162
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Serial No.: 10/564,827 : Group Art Unit: 3644
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Filed: May 22, 2006 : Examiner: Tien Quang Dinh

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Submitted herewith on Form PTO/SB/08(a) is a listing of documents known to the Applicants in order to comply with the Applicants' duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56, 1.97 and 1.98.

It is respectfully requested that the documents be expressly considered and be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom. The Applicants respectfully request that the copy of the PTO/SB/08a Form, as considered and initialed by the Examiner, be returned with the next communication.

TIME OF THE DISCLOSURE

The listed documents were cited in the attached Extended Search Report, dated July 12, 2010. The Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97(c), before a Notice of Allowance under §1.311, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution and is also accompanied by the fee set forth in §1.17(p). As the above-identified patent application was filed after June 30, 2003, copies of the cited U.S. Patent Publications/U.S. Patents are not required to be submitted, see MPEP §609.

RELEVANCE

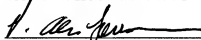
A copy of the European Search Report, dated July 12, 2010, setting forth the portion of the references considered relevant is attached. The undersigned would like to bring to the Examiner's attention that German Patent DE 197 12 278 (Huber et al.), listed in the European Search Report, was also cited in an Information Disclosure Statement filed January 18, 2006 and considered by the Examiner on March 24, 2009 and therefore has not been listed on the attached PTO/SB/08a Form.

AUTHORIZATION

As the fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) is due in conjunction with this submission, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-2036 for the amount of \$180.00. The Commissioner is also authorized to credit any overpayment to said Deposit Account with reference to Attorney Docket No. 59482.21820.

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